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The last name of the first-listed inventor should read "Nuesink". The last name incorrectly reads "Neusink".

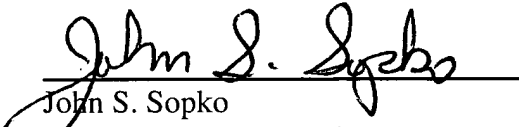
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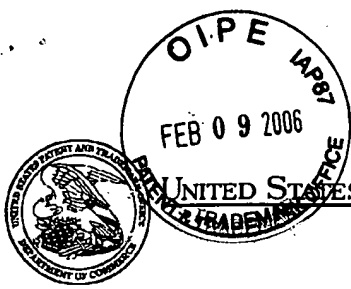
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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/NL03/00860 12/04/2003

## Foreign Applications

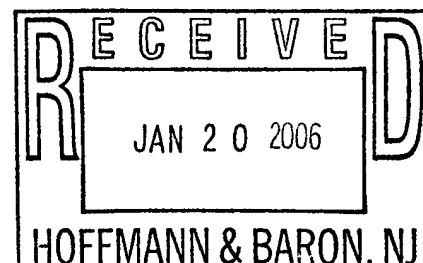
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Rotary device for removing weeds from joints in a paved area

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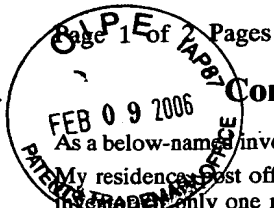
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Rotary device for removing weeds from joints in a paved area.

the specification of which (check one)

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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioners to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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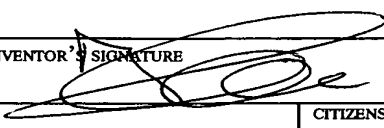
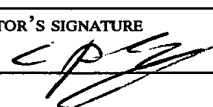
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